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Mr. Dwyatt Gantt
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Gantt:

Congratulations! I am pleased to formally notify you that Children's Hope International has achieved **Hague Accreditation** through **3/31/2013** pursuant to the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000. Enclosed please find a certificate evidencing your Hague Accreditation.

A sample press release is also enclosed for use in communicating your accreditation to the local media, as well as to your staff, volunteers, clients and licensing authorities. Please remember that if you choose to reference your accreditation on your website, in brochures, on your stationery or in any other communications, you must clearly state that you have achieved "*Hague Accreditation from the Council on Accreditation*".

In the very near future, we will provide you with information regarding your responsibilities during your accreditation cycle. In that regard, you should be aware that COA is responsible for monitoring your conduct *and that of your supervised providers*¹ and for thoroughly reviewing complaints² or other information derived from the Hague Complaint Registry or from reliable sources, including the Department of State.

Again, congratulations on your achievement, and I look forward to our continuing work.

Sincerely,

Richard Klarberg
President & CEO

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